Upcoming Events

2012-2013
PHILHARMONIA ORCHESTRA
SERIES

Albert-George Schram, music
director and conductor
Location: Keith C. and Elaine
Johnson Wold Performing Arts
Center

PHILHARMONIA No. 1
Saturday, Dec. 1 – 7:30 p.m.
Sunday, Dec. 2 – 4 p.m.
Jon Robertson, guest conductor

PHILHARMONIA No. 2
Saturday, Feb. 2 – 7:30 p.m.
Sunday, Feb. 3 – 4 p.m.
Guillermo Figueroa, guest conductor
Berlioz: Overture to Le Corsaire
Saint-Saens: Violin Concerto No. 3
Elmar Oliveira, violin
Shostakovich: Symphony No. 5

PHILHARMONIA No. 3
Saturday, Feb. 23 – 7:30 p.m.
Sunday, Feb. 24 – 4 p.m.
Jon Robertson, guest conductor
Debussy: Prelude to the Afternoon of
a Faun
Tchaikovsky: Overture to Romeo
and Juliet
Brahms: Symphony No. 2

David Balko, piano technician
THIRD ANNUAL COLLABORATIVE SPOTLIGHT
Thursday, Dec. 6 at 7:30 p.m.
Amarnick-Goldstein Concert Hall
Boca Raton, Fla.

PROGRAM

Variations on a Theme by Haydn, Op.56b

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Lisa Leonard and Jon Robertson, piano

Violin Sonata No. 1 in G Major, Op. 78

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Elmar Oliveira, violin
Lisa Leonard, piano

Past Collaborative Spotlights
2011 American Brass Quintet
2010 American Chamber Masterpieces funded by the NEA

Mr. Oliveira has received honorary doctorates from the Manhattan School of Music and Binghamton University as well as the Order of Santiago, Portugal's highest civilian honor. Elmar Oliveira performs on an instrument known as the “Stretton”, made ca. 1729-30 by Giuseppe Guarneri del Gesu, and on several other violins by outstanding contemporary makers. Mr Oliveira is a Distinguished Artist in Residence at the Lynn University Conservatory of Music in Boca Raton, Florida.

Maestro Jon Robertson enjoys a distinguished career, both as a pianist, conductor and academician. He was awarded full scholarship six consecutive years to The Juilliard School of Music, earning a B.M., M.S., and D.M.A. degrees in piano performance as a student of Beveridge Webster. After completing a Masters Degree at The Juilliard, he was appointed Chair of the Department of Music at Oakwood College in Huntsville, Alabama. In 1970, Robertson returned to The Juilliard as a Ford Foundation Scholar to complete his Doctorate of Musical Arts. In 1972, Robertson became Chair of the Thayer Conservatory of Music at Atlantic Union College, in Massachusetts. Robertson traveled to Europe as a conducting fellow of Herbert Blomstedt, conductor of the Dresden Staatskapelle. He became Conductor and Music Director of the Kristiansand Symphony Orchestra in Norway in 1979 and served until 1987. In 1982 Maestro Robertson became the Conductor and Music Director of the Redlands Symphony Orchestra. As guest conductor, Maestro Robertson has conducted orchestras nationally and internationally, among others, the San Francisco Symphony at Stern Grove and in Davies Hall, the Beijing Central Philharmonic in China, the Cairo Symphony Orchestra in Egypt and was the principal guest conductor of the Armenian Philharmonic Orchestra in Yerevan from 1995-98. Maestro Robertson has also conducted the Bratislava Chamber Orchestra, at the Pianofest Austria at Bad Aussee, Austria, and most recently in South Africa, at the University of Stellenbosch International Festival. Recently, Robertson was honored as the 2010 Lifetime Achievement Award recipient from the National Society of Arts and Letters. Dr. Jon Robertson is presently Dean of the Lynn Conservatory of Music.
She can be heard on the Klavier, Centaur, and Summit labels and has been featured on Japan’s NHK television network. A native of Washington D.C., Ms. Leonard received her M.M. and B.M. from the Manhattan School of Music where she was the premiere recipient of both the Rubinstein and Balsam awards, two of the highest awards given. Her former teachers include Marc Silverman, Suzanne W. Guy, Eric Larsen, Isidore Cohen, Thomas Schumacher, Cynthia Phelps, David Geber and the Meadowmount Trio.

**Elmar Oliveira** is one of the most commanding violinists of our time, with his unsurpassed combination of impeccable artistry and old-world elegance. Mr. Oliveira is one of the few major artists committed to the entire spectrum of the violin world – constantly expanding traditional repertoire boundaries as a champion of contemporary music and rarely-heard works of the past, devoting energy to the development of the young artists of tomorrow, and enthusiastically supporting the art of modern violin and bow makers. Among his generation’s most honored artists, Elmar Oliveira remains the first and only American violinist to win the Gold Medal at Moscow’s Tchaikovsky International Competition. He is also the first violinist to receive the coveted Avery Fisher Prize, in addition to capturing First Prizes at the Naumburg international Competition and the G.B. Dealey Competition. Mr. Oliveira has become a familiar and much-admired figure at the world’s foremost concert venues. His rigorous international itinerary includes appearances in recital and with most of the world’s greatest orchestras, including the Zurich Tonhalle, Cleveland, Philadelphia, Leipzig, Gewandhaus Orchestras; the New York, Helsinki, Los Angeles and London Philharmonic Orchestras; and the San Francisco, Saint Louis, Boston, and Chicago Symphony Orchestras. He has also extensively toured Asia, South America, Australia and New Zealand. Mr. Oliveira’s repertoire is among the most diverse of any of today’s preeminent artists. He has premiered works by such distinguished composers as Penderecki, Gould, Laderman, Wuorinen, Tower, Kernis, Panufnik, Lees, Flagello, Rosenman, Aitken, and Yardumian. He has also performed seldom-heard concerti by Ginastera, Rautavaara, Achron, Joachim, and many others. A prodigious recording artist, he is a three time Grammy nominee. His discography on Artek, Angel, SONY Masterworks, Vox, Delos, IMP, Naxos, Ondioline, and Melodiya ranges widely from works by Bach and Vivaldi to the present. His best-selling recording of the Rautavaara Violin Concerto with the Helsinki Philharmonic (Ondine) won a Cannes Classical Award and has appeared on Gramophone’s “Editor’s Choice” and other Best Recordings lists around the world. He was also a Grammy nominee for his CD of the Barber Concerto with Leonard Slatkin and the Saint Louis Symphony as well as the Ernest Bloch and Benjamin Lees Concerti with John McLaughlin Williams and the National Orchestra of Ukraine.

**Piano Quartet No.1 in G Minor, Op.25**

***Allegro***

*Intermezzo (Allegro ma non troppo)*

*Andante con moto*

*Rondo alla Zingarese*

Carol Cole, violin
Ralph Fielding, viola
David Cole, cello
Lisa Leonard, piano

**BIOGRAPHIES**

Violinist Carol Cole has appeared at major music centers in twenty-two countries and twenty-five US States as soloist, chamber musician and orchestra leader, with critical praise for her musical artistry. "She knows how to capture the hearts of her listeners"; Messaggero, Italy. She has performed in many prestigious music festivals including the Spoleto Festival of Two Worlds, Italy; Jeunesses Musicales, Belgrade; Grand Teton, Wyoming; Festival Miami; Philadelphia's Mozart on the Square; and the String Seminar, Carnegie Hall. For twelve summers she was an artist faculty member at the Indiana University's Music Festival and String Academy. Carol has collaborated with the most distinguished artists of our time, including: Leon Fleisher, Yehudi Menuhin, Mstislav Rostropovich, Luciano Pavarotti, Claudio Abbado, and Leonard Bernstein. Carol was a member of the Vancouver Symphony, La Scala of Milano, RAI Orchestra of Torino, Philadelphia Opera, leader and solo violinist of I Solisti Aquilani, and the associate concertmaster of the Florida Philharmonic and Florida Grand Opera. Recordings on Bongiovanni, Harmonia Mundi, and Eurartists. At the Curtis Institute of Music she studied with Arnold Steinhardt and chamber music with members of the Guarneri, Budapest and Curtis string quartets. Master classes with Joseph Gingold and Dorothy Delay. As winner of the San Francisco Symphony Young Artist competition, Carol made her debut with the San Francisco Symphony at age 13. She won top prizes in many violin competitions including: the Stressa International competition and the Performers of Connecticut Chamber Music competition at Yale University. Recent appearances include performances with Ensemble M on Whidbey Island, WA., and in Philadelphia with members of the Philadelphia Orchestra, a duo recital with David Cole along with master classes given at the Central Conservatory of Music in Beijing, China, and performances of the Beethoven Triple Concerto with David Cole, Jon Robertson and the Lynn Philharmonia Orchestra conducted by John Nelson.
Carol is currently Professor of violin and chamber music at Lynn University's Conservatory of Music. Her students have won dozens of awards, and she is the recipient of the 2012 “Studio Teacher of the Year Award” from the Florida chapter of the American String Teachers Association.

David Cole is a fourth generation musician. His great grandfather and grandfather were violinists, and his father Orlando was the famed cellist of the Curtis String Quartet and teacher at the Curtis Institute. He graduated from the Curtis Institute of Music having studied with Metta Watts, Orlando Cole, Leonard Rose, and Zara Nelsova. He participated in the Pablo Casals master classes during two summers at Marlboro, and performed and recorded with the orchestra conducted by Casals.

David also participated in a Jeunesse Musical in Yugoslavia and in the Aspen and Tanglewood music festivals. He has been soloist with the Philadelphia Orchestra, the National Symphony in Washington, the symphony of Nice, France, the Solisti L'Aquilani at Carnegie Hall, and more than 75 solo performances with the Abruzzo Symphony in Italy. He was awarded a Martha Baird Rockefeller grant after performing at Carnegie Hall, and recorded trios with famed pianist Rudolf Serkin and violinist Pina Carmirelli. David had a master class lesson Pablo Casals on the Bell Telephone Hour as part of a documentary on the Marlboro Festival. David and violinist wife Carol spent over 10 years in Europe where they toured extensively, appearing as soloists, as members of chamber groups, and as principal players in symphony orchestras.

Cole's musical experiences include playing as a member of many orchestras including La Scala in Milan, the Turin Radio Orchestra, the Vancouver Symphony, and, as principal cellist, with the New Jersey Symphony, the Florida Philharmonic, the Abruzzo Symphony, the Bethlehem Bach Festival Orchestra, the Solisti L'Aquilani, the Wilmington Symphony, the Florida Grand Opera, and Pennsylvania Ballet orchestra. David's love for classical music and his belief in its power as a living art form, have inspired him not only to strive for the highest standards in cello playing, but to devote himself to passing on the knowledge handed down to him by great artists of the past. As a teacher, David began as a teenager at the New School of Music in Philadelphia, continuing at the Istituzione Sinfonica D'Abruzzo in Italy. Over the past decade he has taught at the New World School of the Arts in Miami, the Dreyfoos School of the Arts in West Palm Beach, and many summers at Indiana University's summer music festival. Presently, David is Professor of Cello and Department Head of Strings at the Conservatory of Music at Lynn University in Boca Raton, Florida.

Ralph Fielding teaches viola at the Lynn University Conservatory of Music and (in the summers) at the Bowdoin International Music Festival, and was previously on the faculty of the University of Southern California. He has given master classes at Oberlin College, the Cleveland Institute, DePaul University, the New England Conservatory, the San Francisco Conservatory, Rice University, Eastman School of Music, Indiana University and the Colburn School and has been a judge for ASTA, MTNA, Suzuki, AVS/Primrose and other competitions. He was a member of the Los Angeles Philharmonic viola section for more than a dozen years and has helped students win positions in ICSOM and regional orchestras; he is also a regular viola coach at the New World Symphony. In addition to his classical work, Mr. Fielding has played in the string section for dozens of Hollywood film scores (such as Ghost, Armageddon, Contact, My Best Friend’s Wedding, The Parent Trap), sound recordings (for such diverse artists as The Counting Crows, the Wallflowers, Alanis Morissette, Wayne Shorter and Willie Nelson) and TV shows (including Futurama, Jag, and Star Trek DS9, TNG & Voyager) and was in the pit orchestra for Johnny Carson's last night as host of the Tonight Show.

Hailed as a pianist who “communicates deep artistic understanding through a powerful and virtuosic technique”, Lisa Leonard enjoys a diverse career as soloist, chamber musician, and educator. In 1990 at the age of 17, Ms. Leonard made her debut with the National Symphony Orchestra in six concerts at the Kennedy Center. She has appeared throughout Europe, Japan, Russia, and North America with many orchestras including recent performances with the Redlands Symphony Orchestra, the Oregon Mozart Players, and the Simon Bolivar Orchestra of Venezuela under the baton of Gustavo Dudamel. An active chamber musician, she has performed with members of the Berlin, Vienna, New York, Cleveland and Cincinnati Symphonies in addition to members of the American and Mendelssohn String Quartets, and the Empire Brass Quintet in performances featured on National Public Radios’ “Performance Today” and “Command Performance” programs. Her love of new music has resulted in several premieres of both solo and chamber music including James Stephenson’s Concerto for Trumpet and Piano which was written for her and her husband, Marc Reese, which they premiered with the Lynn University Philharmonia. The performance was noted as one of South Florida's Top 10 performances of 2007 which also included her performance of the Brahms F minor Piano Quintet at the Palm Beach Chamber Music Festival. Ms. Leonard has served on the faculties of the North Carolina School of the Arts, the Meadowmount School of Music, and the Las Vegas Music Festival. She has performed at the Pacific Music Festival, Gilmore International, Caramoor, the East/West International Festival and is currently the head of the Graduate Instrumental Collaborative Piano Program at Lynn University.